## Packaged, Shelf-Stable Cooked Pet Food

Our understanding is that no animal health certification is required for fully processed (cooked, finished, packaged, ready for retail sale, shelf-stable) pet food to be imported to Japan.

Exporters should still have their importers confirm prior to shipment with Japanese authorities at the port of entry that all required documentation is available.

A VS Form 16-4 may still be issued for a shipment of pet food to Japan, as long as it has been completed in compliance with all APHIS policies.